

## MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, February 18, 2015 10:30 a.m. Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Lauwers, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Lauwers, Cole, Franz, Glardon, Johnson, Outman, Rendon, Courser, B. Roberts, Sheppard, Vaupel, Brunner, Darany, Talabi, Driskell, LaVoy, Garrett.

ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

Representative Cole moved to adopt the minutes of the meeting of February 11, 2015. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Chair introduced the following representatives from Michigan State University for a presentation on Growing Michigan Agriculture Through Partnerships:

Dr. Mike Kovacic, Director, College of Agriculture & Natural Resources Stakeholder Relations.

Dr. Doug Buhler, Director, AgBioResearch.

Dr. Ray Hammerschmidt, Interim Director, MSU Extension.

Dr. John Baker, Dean, College of Veterinary Medicine.

Drs. Kovacic, Buhler, Hammerschmidt, and Baker submitted written testimony and answered questions for committee members.

Subsequent to discussion, Chair Lauwers declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 11:50 a.m.

Representative Dan Lauwers, Chair

Doug Simon, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8099